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Bulletin Board

Agronomy

From the Purdue Climate Change Research Center:

We invite you to attend our *Climate Change Research Poster Session and Fall Mixer* on Friday, **November 21st, 2008** from **3pm-5pm** in the **Pfendler Hall Gallery**. Please join us for an informal gathering of faculty and students with research interests in climate change. We will provide a space to showcase your recent or current research (posters are optional) and free refreshments. To reserve a poster board, send an email request by November 3rd to pccrc@purdue.edu. Please feel free to distribute this announcement and flyer to your colleagues who might be interested.

Questions? Call or email the Purdue Climate Change Research Center 496-3209; pccrc@purdue.edu.

Field Trips are part of AGRY 565, Soil Genesis, Classification, and Survey. You missed the Northern trip, but you can still go on the southern trip. The trips are a good way to see a cross-section of soils, landforms, agriculture, and land use in Indiana. Laboratories look about the same in different places, but the soils and landscapes are quite different.

We have plenty of room in a 31 passenger bus, so we can accommodate additional participants. The trips start at 7:00 AM and end about 6:00 to 6:30 PM.

The southern trip will be Saturday, November 8. We will see soils formed in loess over paleosols in older glacial till and bedrock, karst topography, and fragipans between the Purdue campus and Indiana University in Bloomington. We will have stops at Lieber State Recreation Area and McCormick's Creek State Park.

Contact Phillip Owens (prowens@purdue.edu) or Darrell Schulze (dschulze@purdue.edu) if you are interested in joining us.

**DON'T FORGET TO
TURN YOUR UNITED
WAY CARD IN AND
GET A POSTER AND A
CANDY BAR**



October 24, 2008

Agronomy Harvest Homecoming Reunion—Saturday, October 25, 8:30 am—11:00 am.

GINDERS—The plant and soil grinders in room 104 of the Plant and Soils Building will be shut down for 6 to 8 weeks starting Monday morning, October 20th. The dust collector is being replaced. The new dust collector will be much more efficient with easy cleanout of the filters. Also the new dust collector will be less noisy. The end result will be an almost heavenly experience while grinding samples! Trust me!

Terry West
Grinding Room Grinch

Agronomy Faculty Meeting, Monday, October 27, 2008, 8:30 am, LILY 2-425

Agenda to include:

- **Grand Challenge Discussion – Landscape Management and Development of Multifunctional Systems** (Coordinators: Eileen Kladviko, Cale Bigelow, Tony Vyn)

Draft of White Paper to be posted on the following website: <http://sharepoint.agriculture.purdue.edu/agriculture/agronomy/csrees/default.aspx>

MISSION STATEMENT— The Agronomy Department at Purdue University offers dynamic undergraduate, graduate, and extension education programs, and conducts innovative and relevant research in the crop, soil, and environmental sciences in collaboration with public and private partners.

JOBS

Regional Director—

International Plant Nutrition Institute
Australia/New Zealand
Contact: Jim Ippolito
208-423-6524

Postdoctoral Scientist

Montclair State University
Contact: Dr. Dibyendu (Dibs) Sarkar
sarkard@mail.montclair.edu

Assistant Professor (2 positions)

University of California, Riverside
Contact: Ms. Debbie Polk
951-827-3598

Post Doctoral Fellows

University of Georgia-Savannah River Ecology Laboratory
Contact: Dr. J. C. Seaman
803-725-0977

Fall 2008 Graduation Deadlines

Reminder to Doctoral Candidates: To be eligible to schedule the doctoral final examination for the 2008 fall session, the preliminary examination must have been completed before or during the 2007 fall session.

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| December 5, 2008 | Last day for students to pass the final examination |
| December 5, 2008 | Final examination reports must be received for all graduating students by the Graduate School, Room 170, Young Hall (YONG). Students for whom a final report is not received will not be able to graduate in December. |

CONGRATULATIONS NADIA

2008-2009 Teaching Academy Induction & Recognition Ceremony –The Teaching Academy will hold its annual recognition ceremony for new fellows and associate fellows on Wednesday, October 22, 2008 at 7:30 pm in the East-West Faculty Lounges of the PMU. A wine and cheese reception will precede the official program at 7:00 pm. Provost Randy Woodson will be the keynote speaker and will speak on “Student Access and Success”
The Academy will induct 14 new members. These outstanding individual include:

2008-09 Teaching Academy Associate Inductees

Nadia Carmosini, Agronomy

Ellen Gundlach, Statistics
Jaebang Kim, Mathematics

2008-09 Teaching Academy Fellow Inductees

Pamela M. Aaltonen, Nursing
Ximena B. Arriaga* Psychological Sciences
Robert (Pete) L. Bill* Basic Medical Sciences
Becky A. Brown* Foreign Languages & Literatures
Patricia G. Coyle-Rogers*, Nursing
Kevin M. Hannon, Basic Medical Sciences
Mickey Adams Latour, Animal Sciences
Linda L. Naimi*, Organizational Leadership & Supervision
Nancy J. Peterson, English
Gabriela C. Weaver, Chemistry
Christine A. Wilson*, Agriculture Economics

*2008 Murphy Awardees



CONFERENCES & SEMINARS

BIOCHEMISTRY

Controlling Histone Methylation Via Trans-Histone Pathways,
Scott Briggs, Dept. Biochemistry, Purdue University
October 28, 2008
WSLR 116 4:00 to 5:00 pm

National Soil Erosion Research Laboratory

“Developing effective and defensible nutrient standards for the streams and rivers of Illinois”,
Todd Royer, Assistant Professor of Aquatic Ecology, Indiana University
November 12, 2008 10:30am
NSERL Conference Room

BIOFORMATICS

"Molecular Divergence Time Estimation"
Dr. Peter Waddell, Department of Biology, Purdue University
October 28, 2008
Mechanical Engineering (ME) 161 Time: 4:30pm

PULSE SEMINAR SERIES

Plant Response to Chitin, A Pathogen Associated Molecu
Monday, November 17, 2008
STEW 214 C&D
Coffee at 3:00 pm seminar to follow

AGRONOMY

Predictive Understanding of Ecohydrologic Response through Coupled Water, Energy, Carbon & Nutrient Cycle Dynamics,
Praveen Kumar
Monday, October 20, 2008
3:30 pm Lilly 2-425

BOTANY & PLANT PATHOLOGY

Joint with Horticulture
“New and noxious diseases of ornamental plants”,
Dr. Margery Daughtrey, Dept of Plant Pathology, Cornell University
October 29, 2008 Whistler 116 3:30 pm

ENTOMOLOGY

The efficacy of sustainable pest management in today’s green industry,
Katie England, Dept. of Entomology, Purdue University
Friday, October 30, 2008
Whistler Hall Room 116
3:45 pm, Refreshments: 3:15 pm

HORTICULTURE & LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

Genetic and biochemical characterization of selenocysteine methyltransferase from the selenium hyperaccumulator *Astragalus bisulcatus*,
Tommy Sors, Horticulture, Purdue University
October 30, 3:30 pm
Room 117 Horticulture Building

BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

“Viruses, microRNAs and RNA interference”,
Bryan Cullen Dept of Molecular Genetics, Duke University
November 5, 2008 4:00pm
Dean’s Auditorium, PFEN 241

